

Shenandoah Trail Rides Guide

Horse Trip: 10-15 Mile Circuit

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Rose River, Stony Man, and Upper Dark Hollow

Map: PATC #10 (Central District)

Not a suitable route for wet/winter conditions.

Trip Description: Dark Hollow Falls, slow roller coaster ride up and down through the mountains.

Skyline Drive Parking

Parking: Fishers Gap Overlook
Trailer: Goose-neck trailer
Availability: Parking is generally available.

Boundary Parking

Parking: Rapidan Road/Big Meadows Parking
Trailer: Goose-neck trailer
Availability: Parking is generally available.

Encounters: This trail has heavy hiking and/or backpacking use at all times. Vehicle traffic is possible, but is limited to park employees.

Footing: Long stretches are rough, rocky, narrow, and/or in wilderness.

Option 1 - Total Distance 11.8 Miles

From Fishers Gap Overlook, mile 49.5, exit from the north end of the overlook and cross Skyline Drive.

Turn right onto Rose River Fire Road and ride 5.2 miles.

Turn right onto Upper Dark Hollow Trail, riding 2.2 miles.

Turn right onto Rapidan Fire Road and ride 1.1 miles.

Turn right onto Stony Mountain Trail, riding another 1.1 miles.

Turn left, back onto Rose River Fire Road, and ride 2 miles.

Cross Skyline Drive to return to Fisher Gap Overlook (0.1 mile).

Option 2 - Total Distance 13.2 Miles

From Rapidan Parking, ride down Rapidan Fire Road 3.8 miles.

Turn left onto Upper Dark Hollow Trail, riding 2.2 miles.

Turn left onto Rose River Fire Road and ride 3.2 miles.

Turn left onto Stony Mountain Trail, riding 1.1 miles.

Turn right onto Rapidan Fire Road and ride 2.9 miles to return to your vehicle.